

**Minutes of the Parks & Environment Advisory Board  
Meeting November 4th, 2020 online via Webex**

In attendance:

**Officers Present** - Bill Reinert – Chairman,

**Members Present** - Heather Warburton, Stephen Fielder, Dick Colby, Lisa March

**Members Absent** - Mike Hogan – Vice Chairman, Ken Sooy, Jill Miles (resigned)

**Freeholder Representative** – James Bertino - absent

**County Staff** - Greg Brookins, D.H.P.W - present

**Secretary** - Eric Husta – D.D.P.R. – present

**Guests-** Dan Crum- (attending as a representative of the Health Department)

**Roundtable Discussion topics:**

Bill Reinert informed the group he had recently spoken to Jill Miles who has accepted a new position with the Health Department and will be resigning from her position with the board. In her absence, she has asked Dan Crum to attend and act as a representative from the County Health Department until a replacement is officially chosen.

Steve Fiedler mentioned the upcoming webinar by Doug Tallamy at 7PM on 11/12/2020 sponsored by GoGreenGalloway.org. Steve also mentioned the upcoming Ken Able talk from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM on 11/30 as well. His work on the Mullica River project continues and he provided the group with an update on his brother Martin's work assembling drone footage with Atlantic City Electric as a most recent example. Discussion was also had on the process of funding, acquiring, and installing outdoor water filling stations.

Heather Warburton updated the group on the status of the recent plastic bag bans being signed into law. Although they prohibit the sale and distribution of single-use bags, there are some existing loopholes which need to be closed.

Dick Colby provided the group with a status update on the North South Statewide Trail. He also mentioned the trail information is now posted on the Sierra Club's website.

Dan Crum introduced himself to the group and talked about his studies at Stockton University and his work with both the mosquito unit and the health department. He mentioned his hobbies of birdwatching and gardening as well.

General Discussion was had on soft-sided "flap" tents and outdoor dining areas. Questions were raised regarding their effectiveness and Health Department certificates.

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 PM.

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**Our next meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday, January 6th, 2021 at 7 PM at the Canale Training Center in EHT or via Webex.**

cc: Dennis Levinson, County Executive  
Jerry DelRosso, County Administrator  
Diana Rutala, Dep. County Administrator  
Maureen Kern, Chairperson - Board of Freeholders  
James Bertino, Board of Freeholders – PEAB Representative  
Greg Brookins, Dept. Head Public Works  
All Advisory Board Members